



Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge



In A Nutshell 2012

FREE Field Biology

Especially For Elementary Educators

3 CEU Credits available

Gather practical tips and first-hand experience to incorporate into your classroom teaching. Use field equipment, improve your identification skills, and discover the WOW facts that will impress your students. Free lesson ideas, worksheets, and resource materials for your classroom are all included.

The Wonder of Wetlands

Tuesday, June 19, 9:00 – noon

Bass Ponds Trail Head, Bloomington

How is a wetland like a sponge, a coffee filter, and a box of cereal? Spend a morning with nets, magnifiers, binoculars, and traps to discover the answer and become familiar with the plants and animals that make up this fascinating habitat. You'll leave with a new understanding of the value of wetlands and activities to use with your students.

Woodland Discoveries

Wednesday, July 25, 9:00 – noon

Bloomington Visitor Center

Bark beetles, oak galls, squirrel nets and sow bugs...yes the forest is MORE than just trees. Join us for a morning of exploration as we discover life cycles, decomposition, competition and growth all happening in our Minnesota forests.

Prairie Places

Thursday, August 9, 9:00 – noon

Rapids Lake Education and Visitor Center

Beautiful bloomers, jumpy buzzers, leafy invaders, sticky hitchhikers, and furry diggers fight to survive what can often be a harsh environment. Uncover the struggles that are part of the beautiful Minnesota prairie.

Then share your discoveries with your students.

Winter Science

Saturday, December 15, 9:00 – noon

Rapids Lake Education and Visitor Center, Carver

Are the Minnesota winters too cold to explore outside with your students? We don't think so! Join us to discover quick and easy activities that allow you to incorporate the outdoors into your winter curriculum despite the temperatures.

To Register Visit: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/87LXZ38>

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